

HOUSE RESOLUTION 324  
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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Tom Hill on the occasion of his retirement as McNairy County Highway Superintendent.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to honor those exemplary citizens who have contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than McNairy County Highway Superintendent Tom Hill, who has devoted nearly twelve years of his life to the McNairy County Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, few people have touched as many lives as Mr. Hill, a gentleman who has attained and maintained excellence as a public servant during his illustrious tenure as McNairy County Highway Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, after dedicating nearly twelve years to building and maintaining the best roads possible for the citizens of McNairy County, Tom Hill will take a much deserved retirement from this important post; and

WHEREAS, McNairy County has benefited greatly from Mr. Hill's diligence on behalf of the county and his close attention to the needs of his fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hill modestly attributes his success as Highway Superintendent to the hard work of his employees and the support of his constituents; and

WHEREAS, a consummate professional in his field, Tom Hill has been an active member of the Tennessee County Highway Officials Association and the Region IV Highway Association; and

WHEREAS, the son of Sam and Musette Hill, Tom Hill began his career as a construction inspector for the City of Memphis prior to proudly serving in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955; and

WHEREAS, returning home to McNairy County in 1957, Mr. Hill started a small construction company that he operated until 1970, when he became the owner and operator of Tom Hill Ford Tractor; and

WHEREAS, leaving the tractor business in 1973, Tom Hill returned to his construction business, continuing operations until 1994, when he became Highway Superintendent of the McNairy County Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, during his exemplary tenure as Highway Superintendent, Mr. Hill worked with the McNairy County Commission, TCHOA, CTAS, and others, to initiate and implement an \$11 million road improvement project; the project, which included 750 miles of hard surface roads, has now been completed; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his meritorious service with the McNairy County Highway Department, Tom Hill has been an active member of the Lions Club, a Mason since 1958, and a member of the Scottish Rite since 1986; in his all too rare free time, he enjoys hunting, fishing and restoring antique cars and trucks; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mr. Hill expresses his faith through his attendance at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, where he has been a member for over forty-five years; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Tom Hill is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, the former Media Lee Sparks; his three sons, Sammy Hill, Danny Hill, and Brett Hill; and his five grandchildren, Dixie Hill Price, Adam Hill, Alex Hill, Vickie Hill, and Alaina Hill; and

WHEREAS, Tom Hill is a person of impeccable morals and irreproachable integrity, and he has worked assiduously in numerous capacities to establish a brighter future for the good people of McNairy County; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Tom Hill has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues, employees, and the entire citizenry of McNairy County; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Tom Hill our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors, even as we salute his exemplary 12-year career spent in service to the McNairy County Highway Department, especially as Highway Superintendent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.